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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, the attention of the USPTO is hereby directed to the attached listing of documents and/or the attached Declaration. For each document listed under "Foreign Patent Documents" or "Non Patent Literature Documents", one copy of that document is attached.

It is respectfully requested that the listed documents:

- (1) be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application;
- (2) be made of record therein; and
- (3) appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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The following marked paragraphs are applicable in this IDS:

Timing of this IDS:

- A. This IDS is being filed per 37 CFR 1.97(b)
 - (1): within 3 months of the U.S. filing date other than a CPA under 1.53(d);
 - (2): within 3 months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in 1.491 in an international application;
- (3): before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits; **OR**
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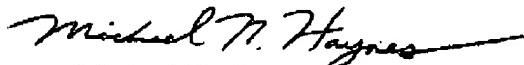
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CONCLUSION

The Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 or 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 50-2504. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at 434-972-9988 to discuss any matter regarding this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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